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THE BIGGEST FLOOD IN YEARS PREDICTED

Ohio Rising Rapidly---10,000 Homes are Flooded---10,000 Men Idle.

Pittsburg, March 21.—The weather bureau this morning warns everyone to prepare for the biggest flood in years. There are heavy rains up the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers and their tributaries.

50,000 Homes Flooded.

Wheeling, West Va., March 21.—Within 50 miles of here, ten thousand homes are flooded. The Ohio is 39 feet this morning and forty-five feet are expected. Railroads are tied up and trolley connections are cut. Mills are all closed and the property damaged is already big.

Raining and Rising.

Marletta, O., March 21.—It has been raining steadily for twenty-four hours. The Ohio is past thirty-one feet, and forty feet are expected by noon tomorrow. The Muskingum river is also rising rapidly.

Crest at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 21.—Just

before midnight one of the fiercest flood rampages the Allegheny river has been on for years ended.

After remaining on the ground for four months practically the entire winter's snowfall at upriver points in some places amounting to eight feet was washed out by over an inch of rain, which fell during Saturday and Sunday. The torrent caused by this movement reached here today and has left much damage in its wake. More than a score of idle plants are crippled and at least 10,000 men are temporarily forced into idleness; costly washouts along the railroads bordering the stream have resulted and hundreds of houses and stores are flooded.

The monetary damage can not now be definitely estimated. Fortunately only one life has been reported lost as an incident of the flood. This was the result of a daring attempt of Stanley Hilger, a baker, of Corapolis, to cross the Ohio river in a skiff. The skiff was capsized and Hilger was drowned.

TOTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE COUNTY

The Recapitulation Was Completed This Morning Here.

The Total Assessment For McCracken County is \$10,213,400 This Year.

2,400 LEGAL VOTERS IN COUNTY.

The recapitulation of the assessor's book of McCracken county for 1905 was completed today, and shows a total assessment in the county of \$10,213,400, less than last year because of some of the bank taxes now being paid to the state instead of the county.

The county assessor starts out in September to make a tour of the county and assess every property owner for whatever he has that is taxable. This work is completed about December and the county supervisors then go over the book and equalize the figures of the assessor. After the supervisors have finished they return the book to the assessor, who has the figures as they appear after the supervisors have gone over them, added up, giving the recapitulation.

The following is the recapitulation made by Mr. William Byrd, and shows how much or many of the various things enumerated have been found by the assessor, and at what they are assessed:

Bonds,	\$ 18,500
Notes secured by mortgage,	162,694
Other notes,	46,480
Accounts,	68,106
Cash on hand,	21,670
Cash on deposit in bank,	61,693
Cash on deposit with other corporations,	750
Other credits or money at interest,	11,945
Acres of land,	140,624
Town lots,	6,136
Thoroughbred or standard stallions,	1
Three thoroughbred or standard geldings,	1
Seven thoroughbred or standard mare and colts,	5
Twenty-eight stallions of common stock,	11
Geldings, mares and colts of common stock,	1,368
Mules and mule colts,	787
Jacks,	29
Jennets,	18
Thoroughbred or standard bulls,	2
Thoroughbred or standard cows and calves,	14
Bulls, cows, calves, steers,	2,163
Sheep,	460
Hogs,	3,000
Value of agricultural implements,	6,465
Value of wagons, carriages, bicycles and vehicles,	37,399

Value of slaughtered animals,	245
Value of safes,	5,020
Household and kitchen furniture,	65,760
Manufacturing implements, machinery of all kinds,	115,900
Piano-forte and other musical instruments,	7,595
Raw material to be used in manufacturing,	36,525
Manufactured articles,	10,350
Number of diamonds,	16
Watches and clocks,	1,503
Value of jewelry,	1,170
Gold and silver and plated ware,	\$955.00
Steam engines, including boilers,	16,525
Steamboats, sail boats or other craft,	19
Brick, stone and other building material,	5,050
Value of wines, whiskies, Stock of goods and other property therein,	900
Miscellany—Value of all property not mentioned above,	44,525
Total value of lands,	2,004,626
Total value of town lots,	6,416,583
Total value of personal property,	1,514,109
Amount of exemption on household goods and other property,	113,750
Grand total of all property assessed for taxation,	10,213,400
Males over 21 years of age,	2,430
Legal voters,	2,430

GET \$9,000

THIS AMOUNT GIVEN MRS. ANNIE MOLLOY AT GLASGOW.

Attorney Molloy Was Killed By a Train—Paducah Firms for Plaintiff.

Glasgow, Ky., Mar. 21.—The jury in the case of Annie C. Molloy, administratrix of Sam C. Molloy against the L. and N. R. today rendered a verdict in favor of Mrs. Molloy for \$9,000. The suit was the result of the accidental killing of lawyer Molloy at Glasgow Junction. The plaintiff was represented by Greer and Marble, of Paducah; T. W. and R. C. P. Thomas, of Bowling Green, and Baird and Richardson, of Glasgow.

Mr. Molloy was county attorney of Lyon county, and was well known in Paducah. Judge Wm. Marble, of Paducah, is now at Glasgow, having conducted the case for the plaintiff, and is expected home tonight.

Watch Inspection.

The second quarterly inspection of watches on the Illinois Central takes place in April, beginning the 1st and lasting until the 15th. Jeweler Harry Meyers, of Paducah, makes the inspection on the divisions running into Paducah.

MORE TROUBLE IN RUSSIAN PROVINCES

Cossacks Fire into Bands of Rioters Today.

Armies Are Marching But No Fighting Has Been Reported Today.

NEW GENERAL REORGANIZING

Viborg, European Russia, March 21.—Governor Miasorodoff was shot and seriously wounded by a boy named Matti Hjalmar. The assassin, who is about 15 years old, obtained entrance to the governor's office and fired three times at him, one bullet inflicting a serious wound and the other slightly wounding one of the governor's legs. The governor's clerks and secretary were unable to stop the would-be assassin, who fled the street where, however, he was arrested without a struggle. He confessed he is an anarchist. The governor's condition is critical.

Caused a Panic.

New York, Mar. 21.—The Herald St. Petersburg correspondent cables that the decision of Russia to raise a hundred million dollar international loan caused a panic on the St. Petersburg stock exchange. Also states that thousands of Russian soldiers are deserting to the Japanese.

Jewish Writer Arrested.

Berlin, Mar. 21.—Isaac Herese, a Jewish writer, originally from Warsaw, was arrested here on suspicion of fermenting a revolutionary conspiracy. He had a called meeting of Jews at his house. He has written much against Russia's methods towards the peasants.

Fired On Mob.

Riga, Russia, Mar. 21.—Cossacks fired on a mob here today. Eight rioters have been arrested.

Reorganizing Staff.

St. Petersburg, Mar. 21.—Harbin advises state that Gen. Linevitch is reorganizing the general staff, and making drastic changes in the subordinate commands.

Only Marching.

St. Petersburg, Mar. 21.—The latest dispatches from Manchuria indicate that the retreat of the Russian army is being conducted uneventfully. The last few days were unmarked by any fighting of a serious nature. Both the Russians and the Japanese at this stage are probably considering that marching is more important than fighting. The Russians, however, are neglecting no precautions to impede pursuit and hamper the construction of permanent lines of supply.

A dispatch received announcing that a cannonade had been heard south of Tie Pass is apparently an error either as to direction or location.

FOUR YEARS

For an Alleged Embezzler at Columbus, Ohio.

Columbus, O., Mar. 21.—Ex-Chief State Examiner of Stationary Engineers George M. Collier, was convicted today of embezzling \$1,450 from the state, and given four years, and fined \$2,900. Collier is married and has children, but eloped with a waitress, and was arrested in Kansas City. His wife got a divorce, and he married the waitress afterwards.

TODAY'S MARKETS

Wheat—	Open.	Close.
May	1.15 1/2	1.15 1/2
July	92 3/4	92 3/4
Corn—		
May	49 1/2	48 1/2
July	49 1/4	49 1/4
Oats—		
May	31 1/2	31 1/2
July	31 3/4	32
Pork—		
May	12.95	12.85
July	13.12	13.00
Cotton—		
May	7.85	7.77
July	7.80	7.70
Aug.	7.82	7.73
Oct.	7.86	7.78
Stocks—		
I. C.	1.62	1.60 1/2
L. & N.	1.42 1/2	1.42

VETERAN EDITOR DIES SUDDENLY

Col. Jas. P. Thompson Expires From Heart Disease.

Was 61 Years Old, a Native of Louisville, and For Many Years a Resident of Paducah.

NO FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

No death could have brought more genuine and universal surprise and sorrow to the people of Paducah than that at 8 o'clock this morning of Col. James P. Thompson, the well known newspaper man, at his home at Fourth and Washington streets, who passed into the unknown at a time his family and friends thought he was daily improving.

Col. Thompson's health began failing two or three years ago, but he was ill only a few weeks at a time, and was always able to be out again, hale and hearty, and a delight to countless friends. His last illness came several weeks ago and was first manifested as attacks of vertigo, Col. Thompson having two or three of them at different times on his way to and from home.

The last time he took to his bed, and had been very ill at times, but during the past several days had apparently been improving, and arose about 6 o'clock this morning feeling unusually well, he said.

While sitting on the side of the bed, talking to his wife, he suddenly sank down and became unconscious, and gradually his life ebbed away. He never regained consciousness after that last attack, but the end was peaceful and painless.

The news of his death spread rapidly and in a short time the home of this popular man was visited by scores of friends, and messages from all parts of the city came to inquire, or extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

Many knew Col. Thompson was ill, but few thought his illness was serious. The immediate cause of death was heart disease.

Col. Thompson was born in Louisville, Ky., September 20, 1844. He came to Paducah with his parents in 1856, and had since resided here, with the exception of two years spent in Calloway, near old Wadesboro.

He was married May 28, 1867, to Miss Cora Puryear, of Paducah, and she with two sons, Messrs. Rodney and Evert Thompson, survive him. Two other sons died some years ago.

Col. Thompson had been a newspaper man all his life. His father was one of the founders of the old Paducah News, and Col. Thompson himself had been connected with the News up to the time it sold out a few years ago, ever since he was a boy. He gradually rose from a compositor on the paper to a half ownership, and to his tact, sagacity and popularity were due the years of prosperity of that paper. He was in partnership up to a short time before Mr. Ballard's death, with Mr. T. C. Ballard, the firm name being Ballard & Thompson.

A few years ago Col. Thompson retired from the newspaper business, but he could never be said to have entirely forsaken his profession, for he was always a popular visitor to the local offices, and was always welcome. He for a time owned the Thompson laundry, but retired from that business also, sometime ago.

He had for some years talked of moving to Florida but had about abandoned the idea when he last became ill.

Col. Thompson is known from one end of Kentucky to the other as a successful newspaper man. He was a gentleman of education, and one who seemed to have an unusually deep insight into human nature, doubtless as a result of his contact with the world while in the newspaper business. He had a keen sense of humor, a quick wit, was a good story teller, and a man who himself appreciated a good story.

In brief, the deceased was a man of many lovable traits, and he was liked by all who knew him. He had always been generous, charitable, and kind, and for that reason his friends were always loyal to him, and he was a favorite with all whose good fortune it was to know him.

He was a member of the First Baptist church, and of the Knights of Honor. He leaves besides his family

ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO REACH THE POLE

Peary's Ship to be Launched Next Thursday.

A Train Load of Passengers Just Crosses a Bridge as It Collapsed Into the Swollen Stream.

3,000 MEN OUT OF EMPLOYMENT

New York, Mar. 21.—Charles H. Darling, Peary's ship, will be launched Thursday at Bucksport, Maine. Peary hopes to start for the north pole late in June or early in July. One Deckhouse is portable so he can carry it ashore to use for winter quarters.

A Narrow Escape.

Phoenix, Ariz., Mar. 21.—A Phoenix Eastern train with many passengers aboard yesterday just crossed the Salt river steel bridge at Temple when it collapsed into the mountainous stream that flooded the river.

3,000 Men Out of Work.

New York, Mar. 21.—Over three thousand men have been thrown out of employment as a result of the shutting down of the Havemeyer sugar refinery in Brooklyn. No official explanation is given, but it is said the decreased consumption of sugar growing out of the advance in price was the cause.

Messenger Robbed of \$10,000.

Berkley, Cal., Mar. 21.—J. E. Daly, an Oakland liveryman, who was acting as messenger for the Central bank of Oakland, was held up and robbed of \$10,000 while on his way to the Standard Oil refinery at Point Richmond today.

HARRY NEW

Will Become Acting Chairman of National Committee.

Washington, Mar. 21.—Harry S. New, of Indiana, is in the city and it is understood that within a few days announcements will be made of his resignation as acting chairman of the republican national committee to succeed Postmaster General Cortelyou, who has announced his intention to retire from the chairmanship.

Secretary Cortelyou has announced that he has appointed New vice-chairman of the republican national committee and by reason of this appointment New would become acting chairman on his (Cortelyou's) retirement, which will take place in a few days. Mr. Cortelyou has appointed Representative Babcock, of Wisconsin, a member of the republican national committee from Wisconsin. Babcock will retire from the chairmanship of the republican congressional campaign committee in order that he may be free to act in his new party capacity.

TRAIN WRECKED.

Robbers Loosened the Rails, and Ditched the Engine.

Des Moines, Ia., Mar. 21.—The Rocky Mountain limited, a fast westbound train on the Rock Island road, was derailed and went down a fifteen foot embankment near Homestead today.

Officials claim that robbers loosened the rails. Engineer Hotchkiss was found under his engine badly scalded and may die.

Mail Clerk Webber was seriously hurt. There were minor injuries to passengers.

Garrison Not Taken.

Constantinople, Mar. 21.—Military authorities deny that Sana, Yemen province, has been taken by Arabs, as reported last week. It is believed the garrison can resist two months.

Fatal Explosion of Fire Damp.

Budapest, Mar. 21.—There was a fire damp explosion in the Drenkova mine today and twelve are dead and twelve missing and four seriously wounded.

Two brothers, Mr. Henry E. Thompson, of Paducah and Mr. E. M. Thompson, of Indianapolis, Ind.

The last named has been telegraphed and the funeral arrangements will not be made until he is heard from.

GHASTLY SCENES ABOUT THE DEBRIS

Over Fifty Bodies Recovered From Wreck.

Many of Those Pinned Beneath the Burning Building Begged to Be Put Out of Misery.

BOILER HAD A CRACK IN IT.

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Brockton, Mass., Mar. 21.—O The Greener Shoe Factory O disaster seems worse each O hour. O Bodies recovered, 55. O Identified, 14. O Missing, 43. O Injured, 53. O Total loss, \$250,000. O The city is arranging a O public funeral of unidentified O ed dead, and will pay the ex O pense of the crews searching O the ruins who are sickened O by the foul stench. The re O mains are removed to the po O lice station, and there tagged. O The body of Engineer Rock O well was found today beside O the chair where he was seat O ed. O O O O O O O O O O

Brockton, Mass., March 21.—This city is in mourning, for at least three score of her citizens whose lives were blotted out by the explosion of the boiler in Grover company's shoe factory.

It may never be known just how many persons perished. No one knows exactly how many persons were in the factory. The number has been estimated at four hundred but Treasurer Emerson says he doubts whether there were so many at work. Two hundred and fifty survivors have been accounted for.

Fragments of human frames which possibly might belong to bodies other than those enumerated, have also been found. Few of the remains have been identified.

Bodies Without Heads.

The head in nearly every case is missing and except in rare instances it was impossible even to distinguish the sex. There was no trace of the body of David W. Rockwell, the engineer, who was not seen after the explosion. It is supposed he perished at his post.

Inspection of the wrecked boiler by the state boiler inspectors showed there was sufficient water in it. The cause of the explosion is a mystery.

Story of the Disaster.

The explosion, which was followed by such sacrifice of life and entailed appalling instances of human suffering, occurred shortly after the operatives had commenced work for the day. Suddenly the air vibrated with a roar of explosion. At the same moment the larger wooden frame of the factory, a four story structure, quivered and the rear portion collapsed. In a fraction of a second this section of the building had been transformed into a mass of iron and wood wreckage, in the midst of which human beings were pinioned. In another moment fire had broken out in the debris and death by fire and suffocation became the fate of scores of operatives.

Boiler Blew Great Distance.

When the boiler exploded it passed upward almost perpendicularly, tearing a passage as it went, killing many on the way. After rising high in the air, it descended half the distance and then swerving northerly, cut its way like some huge projectile through a dwelling house fifty feet away, and pierced another dwelling further along, demolishing the latter structure.

Scarcely had the rear portion of the structure collapsed when a tongue of flames started up from the boiler pit and reaching out as it ascended communicated with the splintered wreckage and immediately afterwards with the standing walls. Soon the entire factory was in flames.

Instant death was the fate of many who went down with the floor that collapsed.

A woman who was entangled in a shoe machine cried out that she was dying and commanded the rescuers to attend to the others who might live. She begged to be shot. Soon the flames enveloped her.

Among the first to arrive on the scene was Rev. James A. O'Rourke.

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